

OVER THE TEA CUPS.

SIBYLLINE LEAVES.

Yesterday I found myself at a meeting that represented the Kindergarten interest in the Islands. I do not know why it should have been a meeting largely of women. Membership in the Association merely requires a gift of three dollars each year, and I understand that men form a good proportion of givers. Perhaps they are willing to confine their active duties to contributing. It may be that they are satisfied to leave the care of all children to women. Certain it is that women are by nature fitted for the care of children in the family, and the Free Kindergarten Association seems to be ably caring for the children of the state, the larger family.

My chief impression as I sat there was that the Kindergarten is a good investment. It must be a popular charity, for many and wide are the sources of its money-rills. It must be a pet philanthropy, it receives such excellent care. It must be doing well, judging by its treasurer's report. The bold plans for its enlargement are pretty fair evidence that it is generally commended, and that the Kindergarten is an accepted factor in Hawaiian conditions.

Three appeals that were carefully tucked away in my memory stay by me. Of course the first was for more money. It always is, the same old appeal, a necessary evil till it is done away with by extreme measures, getting a permanent fund at one blow, or becoming a professional heir to every moneyed person. I doubt not the Association is ready for either, though I did not hear it in so many words. The pressure of personal influence was recommended, and the pairing of every annual fee with a new twin fee is a good enough suggestion. A quick and effective canvass of all possible givers is also necessary. Undoubtedly this philanthropy should be put on a sound money-basis. The prospect of raising four or five thousand dollars every year is a future perspective that the treasurer and financial secretary can hardly face with equanimity. Far better it is to strain every nerve (if need be), once for all to raise a permanent endowment fund which already has a nucleus of \$10,000, or which amounts to the same thing, to have each Kindergarten endowed as the Hawaiian Kindergarten is. Let the many give as before, for giving begets enthusiasm, but let all giving be for the permanent fund so that there may be little chance of the work ever being suddenly crippled.

The children are looking to us for help. In our own crowded city, in the streets, on the slopes of Punchbowl, up the length of Nuuanu and the breadth of Palama, along the shores of Waikiki and in the nooks of Punahou and Manoa. Everywhere there are little children ready for the blessing of the Kindergarten. In all these places money should be spent at once in fencing in sunny gardens for the waiting children.

They must wait till there is money. Another class of children need not wait, for there can easily be Kindergartens made for them with no one's feeling the loss of a dollar. I refer to the second appeal I have stored away in my memory, the effort to establish Kindergartens on every plantation in the Islands. I burn for eloquence on this theme, but I am only eloquent in my feeling, alas! Have you ever seen the little groups of laborers' children playing near the rows of tiny white-washed houses—children whose ears have never known the sweet sounds of Mr. Berger's band, children whose busy fingers never knew the delight of stringing cylinders or weaving gay paper, whose nimble feet were trained in running away from profane luns rather than in marching and skipping and dancing? Their parents have little time to pet them, indeed they never had any happy childhood themselves, but knew only work and neglect, punishment and fear. Their nests among the prickly pears figure perfectly their spiritual advantages. What kind of men do these neglected children make? And women? Will the State hear from them later in the police courts or on the reef?

The method of establishing and maintaining plantation Kindergartens is quickly told—each plantation records the expenses of its one or two Kindergartens in the same book with the wages of its lunsas, its sugar-bollers and its manager. One wise stockholder who has used his influence for this end, says it pays in dollars and cents to have a church and a Kindergarten for the laborers. I see a rosy penumbra of a certain coming event, the speedy opening of a Kindergarten on a large plantation. Good. The time now is when neglect of the laborers who serve society is branded moral obliquity, and let every man see to it that his own hands are free from the stain of selfishness, neglect and gross money-getting. Let us in Hawaii establish at least an unwritten law that all who gain from a sugar plantation shall bear the decimal per cent. of the expense of sufficient Kindergartens for the human bees who make their honey.

The third appeal comes from the men who were not satisfied with being mere listeners. The Association was urged to petition the Government to transform half of the Nuuanu "made lands" near King street into a park, and the other half into a children's playground. Masculine eloquence went

over the reasons esthetic, philanthropic and sanitary why this particular breathing place should not be congested by encroaching shops. The Government can scarce afford to let certain quarters widen, or to learn again the lesson of Nuuanu and the cholera germ. The suggestion was at once crystallized into a motion, and the Association is committed to the scheme, Nuuanu Park and Playground. Long live the Free Kindergarten Association!

HONOKAA WEDDING.

The Marriage of Nolie Rickard to James M. Muir.

At Honokaa, Hawaii, on Wednesday evening, September 23, 1896, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. James M. Muir and Miss Nora Rickard were united in marriage, the Rt. Rev. Alfred Willis, Bishop of Honolulu, officiating according to the ritual of the Established Church of England.

The house was brilliantly lighted, the land enclosed and decorated with ferns, palms, Chinese lanterns and the flags of England, America and Hawaii. The skill of the decorators' art reached its height in the parlor where the ceremony was performed. Four archways of ferns and red and white roses reaching from the ceiling to the floor were arranged in a semi-circle around the room through which the party marched to a position under the wedding bell in the east part of the room, just back of which was a bank of white roses and ferns.

Precisely at 8:30 o'clock Miss Polly began the familiar strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march and the party entered the room, the bride attended by four sisters and leaning on her father's arm joined the groom at the altar. The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of white silk en train. She carried a bouquet of white roses and maiden hair fern, with orange blossoms fastening her veil. The groom was attired in the conventional black. After the ceremony an elegant wedding supper was served and the evening spent in congratulations and social enjoyments. The many presents were valuable and useful.

The bride is the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rickard and has spent nearly all her life in Hamakua. She was educated in England, and is the happy possessor of many charming qualifications which have made her a general favorite with her acquaintances. She is especially well known as a vocalist and is a painter of talent. Mr. Muir is a native of Canada, has been a resident of Hamakua for five years and during that time has made a host of friends such as are usually drawn to a perfect gentleman. He is employed as chief bookkeeper for the Honokaa Sugar Company, position in which his employers repose the most implicit confidence in his ability and integrity.

No young people ever started in life with brighter prospects nor with the sincere wishes of more sincere friends for health, long life and true happiness.

FREE KINDERGARTEN.

Annual Meeting Yesterday—Reports of Various Officers.

The annual meeting of the Free Kindergarten Club was held yesterday morning. In her devotional opening of the exercises Mrs. Hyde emphasized two points: The law of increase by giving, and the lines of successful work.

The secretary read the report of the annual meeting held a year ago, and Mrs. Wood, the treasurer, read her report for the year just closed. The expenditures for the period were \$3,764.25, leaving a balance to begin the new year with.

Mrs. F. R. Day, financial secretary, in Mrs. Coleman's place, rendered her report, showing the source from which the funds came—many little envelopes, some larger pledges and gifts and the Woman's Time (\$400) and the two endowment funds of \$700 and \$500 annually.

The historical report of the year's work was made by Mrs. H. N. Castle, of the publication committee, and was very interesting.

A nominating committee consisting of Mrs. W. R. Castle, chairman, Mrs. J. M. Whitney and Mrs. E. W. Jordan, had been appointed to fill vacancies. Mrs. Castle reported the same officers as last year except in case of the treasurer, and Mrs. Swanzy was nominated in place of Mrs. A. B. Wood, resigned. The election was unanimous.

Short addresses were made by Rev. D. P. Birnie, Frank Damon, Mr. Soares and Mr. Gulick, about plantation Kindergartens, park and playgrounds, which Mr. Birnie suggested the Association ask the Government for. The meeting closed with singing the first verse of the hymn "Bless the tie that binds."

JAPANESE PIRACY.

American Book Publishers Becoming Alarmed.

The Japanese are encroaching on the trades in the United States notwithstanding the frequent denials in the newspapers. A prominent manufacturer of St. Louis remarked after a visit to Japan that he "could reproduce in Japan any article made in the United States and sell it in New York for sixty per cent. of the local market rate notwithstanding the high tariff." This gentleman referred to other articles than books.

Now comes a complaint which sets the book world and printing fraternity

a thinking. Consul-General Mills is in receipt of a communication requesting information regarding the sale in Hawaii of American copyright books published in Japan. So far the pirating has been of books devoted to education and issued in the United States by the American book publishing company. But one of their books had reached Hawaii, though it is probable others will be imported and used in private Japanese schools.

While the subject matter and illustrations are identical with the American product the work is inferior in every way. The illustrations in half tone are smudgy and show evidence of amateur rather than the professional.

Peculiar Fish.

While the Claudine was at anchor off Kipahouli, Maui, on Friday morning, a fish different from anything ever seen on the Islands was caught by one of the native boys. It was brought down yesterday morning and placed on exhibition in the Hollister Drug Co.

The fish is about fourteen inches long from tip to tip, and five inches from the fin on the back to one underneath. The head is chub-like and the mouth shows three teeth in front, two in the upper and one in the lower jaw. It is light green in color, with two red stripes running on either side from the gill to the tail. There are red stripes around the gills which meet at the top and extend down the back.

The fish was seen by a number of people on Maui, as well as here, but as yet no one could be found who had ever seen anything like it.

A FRANK STATEMENT.

Mrs. R. C. Peterson, of Fairhaven, Tells a Reporter of Her Recent Illness and Cure.

From the Herald, Fairhaven, Wash.

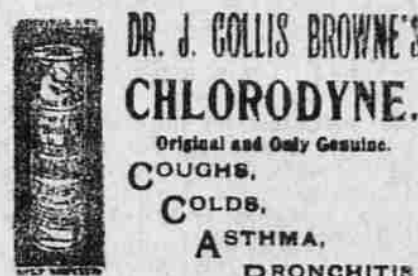
Mrs. R. C. Peterson, of Fairhaven, who has been for a number of years a sufferer from nervous prostration, rheumatism and female weaknesses, and who has lately entirely recovered therefrom, was called upon a few days ago by a Herald representative whose attention had been called to her case. In answer to an inquiry, Mrs. Peterson said: "Yes, I was a sufferer for many years from nervous attacks, rheumatism and other complaints. We, my husband and I, expended a large sum of money in visiting the celebrated doctors of Denver, Salt Lake City and San Francisco, but my relief in all cases was only temporary, and we had nearly despaired of my ever recovering my health, when, one day a friend advised Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, saying they had known of a case very similar to mine, where a wonderful cure had been effected by their use."

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